

date shown on the handler's assessment statement. The late payment charge shall be five percent of the unpaid balance.

(b) In addition to that specified in paragraph (a) of this section, the committee shall impose an interest charge on any handler whose assessment payment has not been received in the committee's office, or the envelope containing the payment legibly postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service, within 30 days of the invoice date. The interest charge shall be the current commercial prime rate of the committee's bank plus two percent which shall be applied to the unpaid balance and late payment charge for the number of days all or any part of the assessment specified in the handler's assessment statement is delinquent beyond the 30 day payment period.

(c) The committee, upon receipt of a late payment equal to or greater than the assessment specified on the handler's assessment statement, shall promptly notify the handler (by registered mail) of any late payment charge and/or interest due as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section. If such charges are not paid, or the envelope containing payment is not legibly postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service, within 30 days of the date on such notification, late payment and interest charges as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section will accrue on the unpaid amount.

[49 FR 29210, July 19, 1984]

§ 932.149 Modified minimum quality requirements for specified styles of canned olives of the ripe type.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the minimum quality requirements prescribed in § 932.52(a)(1) are modified as follows, for specified styles of canned olives of the ripe type:

(1) Canned whole and pitted olives of the ripe type shall meet the minimum quality requirements as prescribed in table 1 of this section;

(2) Canned sliced, segmented (wedged), and halved olives of the ripe type shall meet the minimum quality requirements as prescribed in table 2 of this section;

(3) Canned chopped olives of the ripe type shall meet the minimum quality

requirements as prescribed in table 3 of this section; and shall be practically free from identifiable units of pit caps, end slices, and slices ("practically free from identifiable units" means that not more than 10 percent, by weight, of the unit of chopped style olives may be identifiable pit caps, end slices, or slices); and,

(4) Canned broken pitted olives of the ripe type shall meet the minimum quality requirements as prescribed in table 4 of this section;

(5) A lot of canned ripe olives is considered to meet the requirements of this section if all or most of the sample units meet the requirements specified in tables 1 through 4 of this section: *Provided*, That the number of sample units which do not meet the requirements specified in tables 1 through 4 of this section does not exceed the acceptance number prescribed for in the sample size provided in table 1 of 7 CFR 52.38: *Provided further*, That there is no off flavor in any sample unit.

TABLE 1—WHOLE AND PITTED STYLE
[Defects by count per 50 olives]

FLAVOR	Reasonably good; no "off" flavor
FLAVOR (Green Ripe Type)	Free from objectionable flavors of any kind
SALOMETER	Acceptable Range in degrees: 3.0 to 14.0
COLOR	Reasonably uniform with not less than 60% having a color equal or darker than the USDA Composite Color Standard for Ripe Type
CHARACTER	Not more than 5 soft units or 2 excessively soft units
UNIFORMITY OF SIZE	60%, by visual inspection, of the most uniform in size. The diameter of the largest does not exceed the smallest by more than 4mm
DEFECTS:	
Pitter Damage (Pitted Style Only)	15
Major Blemishes	5
Major Wrinkles	5
Pits and Pit Fragments (Pitted Style Only)	Not more than 1.3% average by count
Major Stems	Not more than 3
HEVM	Not more than 1 unit per sample
Mutilated	Not more than 3
Mechanical Damage	Not more than 5
Split Pits or Misshapen	Not more than 5

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TABLE 2—SLICED, SEGMENTED (WEDGED), AND HALVED STYLES

[Defects by count per 255 grams]

FLAVOR	Reasonably good; no "off" flavor
SALOMETER	Acceptable Range in degrees: 3.0 to 14.0
COLOR	Reasonably uniform with no units lighter than the USDA Composite Color Standard for Ripe Type
CHARACTER	Not more than 13 grams excessively soft
DEFECTS:	
Pits and Pit Fragments	Average of not more than 1 by count per 300 grams
Major Stems	Not more than 3
HEVM	Not more than 2 units per sample
Broken Pieces and End Caps	Not more than 125 grams by weight

TABLE 3—CHOPPED STYLE

[Defects by count per 255 grams]

FLAVOR	Reasonably good; no "off" flavor
SALOMETER	Acceptable Range in degrees: 3.0 to 14.0
COLOR	Reasonably uniform with no units lighter than the USDA Composite Color Standard for Ripe Type
DEFECTS:	
Pits and Pit Fragments	Average of not more than 1 by count per 300 grams
Major Stems	Not more than 3
HEVM	Not more than 2 units per sample

TABLE 4—BROKEN PITTED STYLE

[Defects by count per 255 grams]

FLAVOR	Reasonably good; no "off" flavor
SALOMETER	Acceptable Range in degrees: 3.0 to 14.0
COLOR	Reasonably uniform with no units lighter than the USDA Composite Color Standard for Ripe Type
CHARACTER	Not more than 13 grams excessively soft
DEFECTS:	
Pits and Pit Fragments	Average of not more than 1 by count per 300 grams
Major Stems	Not more than 3
HEVM	Not more than 2 units per sample

(b) Terms used in this section shall have the same meaning as are given to the respective terms in the current U.S. Standards for Grades of Canned Ripe Olives (7 CFR part 52): *Provided*, That the definition of "broken pitted olives" is as follows: "Broken pitted olives" consist of large pieces that may have been broken in pitting but have not been sliced or cut.

[62 FR 1242, Jan. 9, 1997]

§ 932.150 Modified minimum quality requirements for canned green ripe olives.

The minimum quality requirements prescribed in § 932.52 (a)(1) of this part are hereby modified with respect to canned green ripe olives so that no requirements shall be applicable with respect to color and blemishes of such olives.

[62 FR 1244, Jan. 9, 1997]

§ 932.151 Incoming regulations.

(a) *Inspection stations*. Natural condition olives shall be sampled and size-graded only at inspection stations which shall be a plant of a handler or other place having facilities for sampling and size-grading such olives: *Provided*, That such location and facilities are satisfactory to the Inspection Service and the committee: *Provided further*, That upon prior application to, and approval by, the committee, a handler may have olives size-graded at an inspection station other than the one where the lot was sampled.

(b) *Lot identification*. Immediately upon receipt of each lot of natural condition olives for which inspection is required, the handler shall complete Form COC 3A or 3C, weight and grade report or such other lot identification form as may be approved by the committee, which shall contain at least the following: (1) Lot number; (2) date; (3) variety; and (4) number and type containers. Pending completion of size-grading of such lot, or the sampling of such lot if it is to be size-graded by sample, the handler shall maintain identity of such lot of olives with its corresponding lot weight and grade report.

(c) *Weighing*. Each lot of natural condition olives for which inspection is required shall be separately weighed to determine the net weight of olives. If the lot is to be size-graded by sample, the lot shall be weighed upon receipt by the handler. If the lot is to be size-graded by lot, the net weight shall be determined after size-grading by weighing all of the component parts resulting from the size-grading operations (including culls), and totaling such weights.